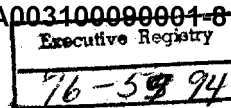




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Peter:

A heartfelt letter
for the V.P. which I
am sending through you
if you don't mind.

Thanks to you, too,
Peter for your support
and understanding.

Let's stay in touch.
If I can help in the
future, just call.

Shank K.

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Vice President

THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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Dear Mr. Vice-President:

As you prepare to leave office, I wanted to express appreciation and best wishes.

Our government and our people are blessed by having available individuals like you who possess an abundance of wisdom, experience and dedication ... and are willing to serve the public in protecting and improving the American system.

On behalf of CIA let me say that though we have been the victims of some exaggerated allegations and unfounded criticisms, we

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have nevertheless adjusted to new guidelines to insure the propriety and legality of our intelligence activities.

With your fair and inspired chairmanship of the President's Commission on CIA Activities Within the United States, you did much to develop the new guidelines while preserving the essentiality of intelligence activities.

Thank you. And all the best as you move into the future.

Very respectfully,
Hank Knoche